



H.Con.Res. 105 – Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Suffragists Day to promote awareness of the importance of the women suffragists who worked for the right of women to vote in the United States.

Floor Situation

H.Con.Res. 105 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Shelley Berkley (D-NV) on March 29, 2007. The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform approved the resolution by voice vote on May 1, 2007.

H.Con.Res. 105 is expected to be considered on the floor on May 8, 2007.

Summary

H.Con.Res. 105 resolves, with the House of Representatives and Senate concurring, that Congress supports the goals and ideals of a National Suffragists Day to promote awareness of the importance of the women suffragists who worked for the right to vote in the United States.

Background

On August 18, 1920, the 19th amendment to the Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing women in the U.S. the right to vote. Thousands of women and numerous national organizations worked for decades to secure this fundamental right for women. Women's suffragists, like Sojourner Truth, Susan B. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt, Maud Wood Park, Lucy Burns, Alice Paul, and Harriot Blatch, utilized speeches, marches, hunger strikes, picketing, and other active forms of protests to accomplish their goal.

Cost

CBO has not scored this legislation.

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